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**GENEROUS AND SENSIBLE.**

The unwillingness of sister towns to do justice to each other, and to array themselves in the temper and spirit of rivalry against each other, is human nature. We cannot complain of it, and the rivalry, if engaged in in the spirit of emulation is productive of good to all by the incitement to enterprise, and the general purpose of improvement. But it is not always that rivals are willing to ascribe to each other the possession of any superior advantages, even when nature has stamped them so plainly as to make them indisputable and ineffaceable, and when the inhabitants of such place have been prompt to improve them, and thus place themselves in advance of other contiguous towns. Such undoubtedly was the case with Asheville, with special topographical facilities of access, marking it early in its history as a health and pleasure resort, made largely more known and valued with the rapidly increasing population, developing as a business centre, and more slowly into a manufacturing point. And this Asheville has grown to be the largest town in Western North Carolina, and one of the largest and most noted in the whole State. This should be the subject of pride to this section. It is not so, however. But it is not pleasant to dwell upon the jealousies and the disparagements which would check, if possible, a progress now too late to retard. As we have said, it is human nature, and not a pleasant illustration of it. But we do note with pleasure the following liberal views and sensible conclusions of the editor of the Tuckasegee Democrat, which we find in the issue of September 14.

After speaking of the growth of Asheville from the time the railroad reached it, and the rapid improvements that followed, the editor says:

But it is not of Asheville as a resort for health and pleasure seekers that we desire to speak. Men of capital and brains have foreseen what she is destined to become, and are helping her in her course towards the highest limit of prosperity. Elegant private residences have been built and are the abodes of refinement and luxury. Her schools, in number, in character, and in efficiency, would be creditable to a city of three her population. Her business enterprises are varied in character, important and far-reaching in their influences upon this entire section of the State. Her merchants are fully up with the times, and are steadily adding to her commercial importance. We confess that we glory in Asheville's success not only for her own sake, but because we are convinced that the greater her prosperity, the greater that of the entire section of the country contiguous.

Cannot everyone see what an advantage it would be if Asheville had a population of 100,000? And yet we occasionally see in papers published in health towns in Western North Carolina, an evident intention to sneer at Asheville—to speak slightly of her advantages and her progress. We actually believe that there are people living in several of the towns in this section which have not yet got beyond the point of being "one horse towns" who imagine that there is an important rival of Asheville, and if they can do anything to hold her back they can soon overtake her.

Let us stop this kind of foolishness. Let us hold up to the world the advantages that we possess, even supposing that we could, let us put no obstruction in the way of Asheville's prosperity and greatness. On the contrary, let us do what we can to help her onwards, rejoicing in her wealth and importance, knowing full well that the greater she becomes the greater will be our share of her prosperity.

**MEMORABLE ANNIVERSARY.**

Yesterday, the 17th, was the anniversary of the great September storm of 1857. At that time the work of the hydrographic bureau was limited; and the great tempests which burst from their birth places in the West Indies, and which are now watched with forewarning scrutiny from the moment they take up their march of ruin, came upon the mariner and upon our coasts unheralded. Such was the storm of September 17, 1857, which, pursuing its wild track of devastation, seemed to have followed the course of the Gulf stream, its western edge sweeping far inland, proving very damaging to the crops, but not marked by any serious injury to property. It was to be remembered, however, as a tempestuous period, marked by strong violent winds, the prostration of trees and floods of rain. There was much anxiety to have tidings from sea, as it was known that of the small fleet of coast-wise and Panama steamers some were then homeward bound; and in ignorance of the precautionary system now so efficient as warning, in peril of falling into the path of one of those terrible autumnal equinoxials. One of the homeward bound steamers was the Central America, formerly the State of Georgia, a large ship for the times, probably of 2,000 tons burden, and claimed to have been strong and staunch. She was a mail steamer, carrying the United States mails between New York and Panama, also always largely crowded with passengers on both outward and inward voyages, and on the latter always freighted with treasure from the California gold fields, realizing the fabulous freights of the old Spanish galleons. Like all the mail steamers of that time and route, the Central America was under the command of an officer of the United States navy; and a pursuer of the same service was devised to take in the charge the large amount of treasure on consignment. In this voyage the ship was com-

manded by Capt. Herndon, a native of Virginia, an officer who had not long before achieved world wide reputation for a daring, very successful scientific exploration of the Amazon from its sources to the Atlantic. The pursuer was John Van Hook Dobbin, of Fayetteville, brother of the then secretary of the navy, James C. Dobbin.

Off Hatteras, the Central America was almost in the vortex of the cyclone. Having little cargo, she was high out of water, a full target for the wind, with small power of resistance to the water, and she labored heavily. A struggle of twenty-four hours proved that the ship was not strong enough for the battle. She began to make water faster than the pumps could free her. Signals of distress were displayed to catch the eye of any passing vessel. The terror among the passengers as the storm raged with unabated violence, and as the ship evidently settled down in the water, reached frenzy, and then sunk to sullen despair as hour after hour passed, and no relief hope in sight.

On board the ship were about \$2,000,000 in gold consigned to parties in New York. Among the 400 passengers there was as much more, secured in belts around their waists. These belts became a despised burden to those who realized what impediments they might prove in the hour of rescue came, and they emptied them on the decks and cabin floors for the use of any greedy enough to add to their own store at such a crisis. As a rule the glittering treasure was unnoticed, though a few could not resist a temptation which ultimately involved their certain fate. At last, when the ship had settled down deep in the water, a vessel, perhaps two, appeared in sight, saw the signals and bore down to the sinking ship. The work of rescue was one of peril and tremendous labor from the fury of the unrelenting tempest and the surging of the mountain-like billows. Capt. Herndon and his crew, brave seamen as they were, without regard to self, aided the passengers to make good their escape. The rescuing vessels were at last forced from the side of the Central America, and she was left to her fate with far the larger number of her passengers and all her crew still on board. Capt. Herndon, seeing his inevitable fate, determined to die in a way becoming an officer of the United States navy. He went below, dressed himself in the full uniform of his rank, and took his proper place on the deck. It was not long that he waited for the end; and with a heavy plunge the ship went down, carrying with her nearly all of the 400 remaining on board, among whom was Purse Dobbin. A few scattered pieces of the floating wreck and were subsequently picked up; and from them were learned the last appalling incidents and the sublime conduct of the heroic Herndon.

We referred some time since to the small number of Americans in China, and the relatively small injury to be inflicted upon this country if the Chinese government, in retaliation, pursued the American policy of expulsion. We now learn, through the Atlanta Constitution, that the whole number of Americans in China of all ages, sexes and occupations is 1,022, of which 502 are preachers of Christianity. We can hardly blame the Chinese government if it acts on our example. We have few to suffer by the hardships to follow expulsion. They are large numbers and they came on invitation and under the force of treaties. We do not deny that they abused their welcome, and did not prove desirable citizens. But we did very rudely break faith with them. As the Constitution says:

They have been hounded down; they have been beaten and stoned; their property has been destroyed, and they have been murdered by scores of dozens. And, finally, the politicians who make our laws, have agreed to exclude the Chinese from our shores. This is in the nature of indirect expulsion.

The United States navy has something to boast of at last, thanks to the reforms, begun, urged and carried out by a Democratic administration, and carried forward manfully and patriotically by the present Secretary Tracy. The new cruiser Baltimore built at Philadelphia made her trial trip the other day, taking the weather as it came, and it was very rough, and going ninety miles out to sea. She proved herself a splendid sea boat, and also for her tonnage, the fastest ship afloat; and the fastest war ship of any tonnage and of any nation. She made an average for three hours of 20 and 2-10 knots an hour, a knot exceeding a mile in the proportion of 6 to 5. This promises the restoration of the old American supremacy in swift ships on the sea.

The working of the once famous Gem mines at Green River, Alexander county, has been suspended. It is now estimated and requires diamond drills to cut into the hordelended gneiss which has been struck. Some fine gems are being taken out by land-owners in that section. The collection of North Carolina gems at the Paris Exposition is a fine one. It is composed of the best specimens from the collection of Tiffany & Co., of New York, and from that of a wealthy private collector of Philadelphia. The latter's show of North State gems is indeed superb. It is not generally known that the British Museum possesses a very costly collection. It comprises some of the finest specimens of Hydianite known. For one of these it paid Professor Hilden \$800.

Dr. Parker Prays cream Van-Ola, Rosaline, Ongaline and Diamond nail powder having now become the ladies' favorites, at F. L. Jacob's drug store, these popular manure articles may always be found, together with pocket emery board, orange wood sticks, nail scissors, files and other such requisites. Also a complete line of drugs and toilet articles, in addition to the Hebe Soda Fountain from which ice cold drinks are dispensed. Corner Main Street and Patton Avenue.

"What good taste Plumper's wife has. Yes, indeed. She's the best undressed woman on the bathing beach."

**The Ladies Delighted**  
The pleasant effect and the perfect safety with which ladies may use the liquid fruit laxative, Syrup of Figs, under all conditions make it their favorite remedy. It is pleasing to the eye and to the taste, gentle, yet effectual in acting on the kidneys, liver and bowels.

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—AT—  
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Large assortment of Dry Goods just arrived.

- A full line of Prints.
- A full line of Satines.
- A full line of Gingham.
- A full line of Tricots.
- All kinds of Flannels.
- A nice assortment of Tapestry Plush.
- Cashmeres and Henriettas in all colors.

Turner Goods in stripes and plaids.

Our Jubilee Cloth is something new and very pretty.

Come and see it.

Ladies' Fannetroy Sets.

A big line of Ladies' and Gents' H. S. Handkerchiefs, all prices.

And in the Gents' Furnishing Goods Line anything you want. A good line of Gents' Grips and Valises just in.

In fact we have anything you want in the Dry Goods and Shoe lines. To inaugurate, we have a special leader in every department.

Respectfully,  
**BOSTIC BROS. & WRIGHT.**

**BOOKS AND STATIONERY,**

**ARTISTS' MATERIALS,**

**ENGINEERS' SUPPLIES,**

**PICTURES AND FRAMES,**

**FANCY GOODS,**

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**BOTH PHOTOGRAPHIC AND HAND-PAINTED,**

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Is that fine lot of ENGLISH BRIDLES and THREE-HORN CHAMOIS SEAT SADDLES at

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And the low prices at which he is selling all goods in his line.

He has increased his force and intends to meet the demand.

**SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.**

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**THE RACKET COLUMN.**

Lots of people come into our store and see things that they have just purchased at other places and exclaim, "Why, I didn't know you kept this," etc., and upon comparing prices find that they have paid too much for their purchase. They say, also, "We knew you were the cheapest, but had no idea you kept so and so." For two years we have been trying to impress upon the people the fact that we handle goods in all lines

**EXCEPT GROCERIES AND DRUGS.**

If a new thing in household using things or conveniences is announced we hasten to secure it, and we are frequently told by visitors from large cities that the variety and completeness of our line of goods is perfectly astonishing for a city the size of Asheville.

**BUY NOTHING**

until you have visited our store. Go to others and get prices. We had rather you would, but

**DON'T BUY**

until you have seen whether we have what you want or not—if we have it we are willing to match prices and quality, feeling assured that in every case we shall save you money. We leave Monday to buy a large stock, and we have facilities for getting it low, frequently under the cost of manufacture. We sell at a close profit and we propose to do some business or know the reason why. Do not buy

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Respectfully,  
**GEO. T. JONES & CO.**

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

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